SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS OF SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT #5 OF THE RIO GRANDE WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

June 15, 2022 at 5:00 p.m.

Rio Grande Water Conservation District Conference Room And by Zoom/Teleconference

<u>Present:</u> David Schmittel, President; George Whitten, Vice-President/Secretary/Treasurer; Kit Caldon, Manager; and Dale Gerstberger, Manager.

Absent: Corey Hill, Manager; and Doug Gunnels, Ex Officio Member.

<u>Staff and Consultants:</u> Pete Ampe, Hill and Robbins P.C.; Chris Ivers, Program Manager; Wylie Keller, Water Resource Specialist; Rose Vanderpool, Program Assistant; Clinton Phillips, Davis Engineering; and, April Mondragon, Administrative Assistant.

<u>Guests:</u> Rebie Hazard, Peggy Godfrey, Joann Ortega, John Gerstle, Deb Sarason, Tim Lovato, Iris Garcia, Deanne Tredway, and Warren Collins.

Meeting Called to Order

President Schmittel called the meeting to order at 5:11 p.m. A quorum was present for the meeting.

Approval of the Agenda

President Schmittel asked for any changes, additions or a motion to approve the agenda. A motion was made by Kit Caldon to approve the agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by George Whitten and unanimously approved.

Public Comment

President Schmittel asked for public comment. Rebie Hazard reported owning property next to Perry Hazard. Chris Ivers clarified the location of the property the Subdistrict purchased near Highway 285. Tim Lovato questioned the water rights of Perry Hazard, and stated his opinion for the record that the north branch of Saguache Creek was not a community ditch. Mr. Ivers reported they had not received the signed lease back from the Hill family. The Board did not need to go into executive session and went on to the next agenda item.

2022 Annual Replacement Plan Update

President Schmittel asked for 2022 Annual Replacement Plan (ARP) update. Chris Ivers reported the Division of Water Resources issued a conditional approval of Subdistrict No. 5's Annual Replacement Plan. He explained the conditions including the approval of two (2) SWSPs. Pete Ampe explained the ARP will go into effect once the SWSPs are approved which also include water to cover April and October. Discussion was held on how replacements will be made to Saguache Creek and what the process will be to get electricity to the Hazard property. Mr. Ivers reported he would send out an official notice when the wells can turn on. Clinton Phillips gave an update on the status of the augmentation well being drilled. Mr. Ampe reported on the interest from the Town of Saguache to contract with the Subdistrict.

A motion was made by Kit Caldon to approve a contract with the Town of Saguache. The motion was seconded by Dale Gerstberger and unanimously approved.

Saguache Creek Depletion Remedies

President Schmittel asked for Saguache Creek depletion remedies. Chris Ivers reported Perry Hazard is cutting the hay on the purchased property and an agreement for ditch work and culverts is in process with Warren Collins. Discussion was held on the location of the recharge pit and the distance of the pit to Saguache Creek. David Hofmann and Clinton Phillips explained the glover analysis.

Next Meeting

The next quarterly meeting is scheduled for July 20, 2022 at 5:00 p.m.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5:58 p.m.

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President

Vice-President/Secretary/Treasurer